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Finance the development of the Irish parliament, the Premier declared. It would mean that the Irish people themselves, said Mr. Lloyd George, whether they desired union, the content of the British Parliament would not be required.

All these proposals, added the Premier, would be embodied in the bill for the consideration of the Parliament.

What appeared to be a weakness in the government's proposal was a certain mistaking as to how the boundaries of northwestern Ireland would be settled for legislative purposes.

The Premier rejected several proposals, first, that the whole of Ulster should form a unit; second, county option; third, that the six northeastern counties should form a unit; and fourth, on the same ground, that solid sections of the population would be left under a government they disliked.

Sir Edward Carson, the Ulster Unionist leader, in the subsequent debate, refused to believe that the bill would prove a success or for the good of Ireland, but he would not give a pronounced opinion until he had seen it in print. He feared that the Sinn Féin would capture the Parliament and proclaim a republic and asked what the government would do to prevent it.

**Lloyd George Gets Praise**  
Sir Donald MacLean said he thought there was no idea of vengeance in the Premier's speech, and believed that it was the Premier's intention to adopt more representative measures in Ireland.

Arthur Henderson said the Labor party would wait for the report of their mission now investigating conditions in Ireland. But he declared, if the bill passed it could only be regarded as a half-hearted and unsatisfactory compromise.

**Compromise Seen in Plan**  
The Premier has taken a leaf from the notebook of both Sir Edward Carson and Lord Robert Cecil and drawn a compromise. Lloyd George proclaimed the principle that it was no longer possible to have a single parliament for Ireland, and urged that because of the defects in this respect the 1914 Home Rule bill must never be allowed to come into effect.

Some principles of the 1914 measure are embodied in the plan advanced to-day, but the Premier has added an idealistic feature in his "fervent hope" that one day the two parliaments, wiping out all discord, would be drawn together and unite.

Lloyd George claimed no invulnerability or immortality for his proposal. He emphasized his belief that it might take five years of dickering before the plan could be put into effect amicably. But he gave it to Ireland, to the country and to the world with an inspiration which showed his belief that the plan would work.

How Ireland will look upon this new measure, which promises pacification but not separation, time alone can tell.

### Coroner's Jury Offers Sympathy to Savage Kin

**Verdict of "Killed by Military Escort" Is Rendered by Official Panel in Dublin**  
DUBLIN, Dec. 22.—The State's Attorney gave details of the attempt to assassinate Viscount French, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, when the inquest over the body of Savage, the young grocer's clerk who was shot and killed while running from the scene of the attack, was renewed here to-day.

The first jury, comprising Viscount French, passed quickly by the spot from which the shots were fired, the testimony developed, two bombs being hurled in quick succession. Both struck a second car, which was empty, the second bomb exploding inside the vehicle.

Sergeant Rumble, who was a member of the escorting party, was said by the State's Attorney to have shot and killed Savage while the latter was in the act of throwing a bomb.

Neither of the automobiles was armed, and the testimony of persons who forced their way into the building of the newspaper, to-day published an edition of much smaller size than usual. In it an account of the raid on "The Independent" was printed, and the leading article criticizing the attack on Viscount French, to which it is believed the raiders objected, was reproduced.

### Paper Defies Rioters

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**De Valera Looks on Bill As Act to Deceive Irish**  
DUBLIN, Dec. 22.—Eamon de Valera, president of the "provisional Irish Republic," spoke with suspicion upon the new Home Rule bill outlined by Premier Lloyd George in the British House of Commons to-day. He expects it to turn out to be only another attempt by British politicians to fool the Irish people, he said here to-night.

"I have not seen Lloyd George's latest plan for two parliaments in Ireland," he said, "and before reading it in detail I cannot, of course, comment upon it in detail."

"All I can say is that the Irish people have accepted and acted upon the principle of self-determination, and have shown that what they want is an independent Irish republic, free from the domination of any imperial authority."

"I deny the right of any foreign statesman to dictate to the Irish people what form of government they shall live under. It is my belief that the British Parliament, and the British Prime Minister, are not entitled to do so."

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**LENS, Dec. 22.—**Solution of the difficulties in opening up the big coal mines of northeastern France must await the coming of German military engineers who wrought the destruction. This was pointed out to the Premier by the French Minister of War to-day in the course of a visit to the Lens region, made as part of a trip under government auspices to permit observation of reconstruction accomplishments.

In Lens, where seventeen main shafts and thirteen air shafts are flooded, the task of reclaiming the mines is said to be much more difficult than in the outlying districts, where the damage is reported to be largely on the surface and to equipment.

Under ordinary circumstances the work of pumping out the water would be simple. In this case, however, corrective operations must be deferred until the arrival of the German army engineers who supervised the blowing of holes in the concrete shaft linings of the mines. These holes, the mining engineers say, will have to be discovered and plugged before pumping begins, because the ground in this section is extremely moist and no pump could make headway against the seepage. Even under normal conditions, they explain, when shafts are being sunk here it is necessary to use refrigerating machinery to freeze the water which makes its appearance while the cement lining is being put in.

Officials who urge the need of speedy resumption of mining point to a 20,000,000-ton shortage in coal production a year after the armistice was signed. This, they say, is half the normal coal production of the country.

Actual damage to mine properties, the officials declared, cannot be determined until the water is removed, but they agreed that normal production cannot be attained for years. The government, which has agreed to reimburse owners for losses, has described the mines as "literally annihilated." The extent of the damage is generally placed at 80 per cent.



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### Senate Rivals Seek Treaty Compromise

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The league unless Congress shall act. The President told the Foreign Relations Committee that the United States could take no action toward carrying out the recommendations of the council of the league without the consent of Congress, but to state that in a reservation would be accepting the duty to preserve the integrity of the other nations with qualifications.

Senator Hitchcock said that the "mild reservationists" assured Senator Lodge that they would not agree to any compromise that would materially modify the League reservations. Neither Senator Hitchcock nor Mr. Baugh, they told Senator Lodge, placed before them any definite proposal for a compromise.

**Bliss Reports to Baker After 2 Years in Paris**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—General Tasker H. Bliss, American military representative on the Inter-Allied War Council, reported to Secretary of War Baker to-day upon his return to Washington from almost two years in Paris. General Bliss, who is a retired officer, will remain on active duty at the War Department until he completes several reports and compiles some important military data for the army. Upon completing his work General Bliss will return to the inactive list of army officers, from which he was called in active service when he retired as chief of staff and was given the foreign assignment.

Secretary of War Baker to-day paid the following tribute to the services of General Bliss: "It is quite impossible to overestimate the value of the services rendered by General Bliss abroad. His long experience, both as an army officer and an administrator, and his wide knowledge of world affairs peculiarly fitted him to be our representative in Paris on the Supreme War Council, and his service to the army and to the whole country are quite beyond praise."

The United States will have no official representative at the Versailles peace conference in the future, Colonel T. Bentley Mott, military attaché at the State Department, will be the unofficial military observer of the United States army, who may meet with the military conferences of the Allies upon invitation.

### British-Dutch Treaty Rumored

BRUSSELS, Dec. 22.—The "Nation Belge" to-day prints a rumor that a secret treaty has been signed by England and Holland by which the integrity of Dutch territory is guaranteed.

### Allies Expect Peace Before Christmas

**Supreme Council Rushes Decision of Damages for Scapa Flow Sinkings to Expedite Final Action**  
The Supreme Council is rushing a decision on the question of damages for the sinking of the German fleet at Scapa Flow so that the protocol may be signed and ratifications of the Treaty of Versailles exchanged before Christmas.

The question was up during a long and busy session of the council this morning, when the terms of the note replying to the last communications of the German representatives were considered.

A second meeting was held in the evening, and afterward it became known that the heads of the Allied delegations had decided upon the text of the reply to the Allies to the last German note concerning clauses in the armistice which have not been carried out, and the compensation demanded for the sinking of the German vessels.

The note will be presented to-morrow morning. It is firm in tone and makes known to Germany what precisely the Allies will require of her.

**Details Nearly Completed**  
Very few details now remain to be disposed of by the council to clear up all the work of the peace conference, with the exception of the Hungarian and Turkish treaties and the Russian situation.

It was thought to-day that all else might be disposed of in time to permit the celebration of Christmas in a state of effective peace with Germany, unless that nation maintains certain of her objections to the final terms after receiving the council's note to-day.

It was pointed out that a considerable obstacle to a speedy final ratification of the Versailles treaty exists in the fact that the commission headed by General Lorrain is not yet ready to meet and prepare for carrying out the terms of the treaty. It is this commission which must arrange for the transportation of Allied troops to replace German forces in territory subject to transfer of allegiance in order to prevent trouble and preserve order.

Arrangements to this end, it is expected, will take some time, and the possibility of carrying the treaty into effect virtually at once depends upon whether the Allies will want to take any chances of leaving these territories without protection.

**Serbia's Demand Discussed**  
Serbia's demand for priority to the amount of 2,500,000,000 francs in reparations, on the same footing as that accorded Belgium by the Supreme Council, was discussed by that body at its session this morning, but no decision was reached. It appeared to be the feeling that this was a question for the Reparations Commission to dispose of after the treaties of Versailles and St. Germain and have been put off.

All the powers interested except Rumania having concurred in the allotment for distribution of the rolling stock on the railways of the old Austro-Hungarian Empire, the council decided to send a note to Rumania asking her to signify her acceptance.

Abandonment of the British plan guaranteeing the neutrality of Belgium for five years on the part of the Allies is reported by the "Petit Parisien," which says the French and British governments are seeking to reach an agreement which will give entire satisfaction to Belgium.

**Will Confer With Curzon**  
The visit to London of General Berthelot, political director of the Foreign Office, is reported to be from an authoritative source, is being made in order to confer with Earl Curzon, the British Foreign Secretary, and prepare for discussion of the Eastern question when the peace conference meets again.

It was said to-day that France and Great Britain are not entirely in accord as to the fate of Constantinople. Great Britain desiring to take the city entirely out of the hands of the Turks, while France favors leaving the Turks in possession under the control of the Allies.

### "I'm 'Fed Up' On the Senate," Says Marshall

**Not Out for Presidency, but It Is a Long Time to November, With Rocky Road Ahead, He Asserts**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Vice-President Marshall, who is in Indianapolis for the holidays, reiterated to-day that he is not a candidate for any office and under no circumstances would he run for United States Senator from Indiana.

When told that there has been considerable talk in this state concerning his availability as the Democratic candidate for President and asked about his attitude in the matter, Mr. Marshall said: "I am not a candidate for any office. I do not propose to enter any primary for President. But nobody knows, least of all myself, what course would be pursued in the improbable event of factional fights and inability in the Democratic National Convention to make a nomination among the candidates which would receive the wholehearted support of the party."

**Won't Enter Primary**  
Mr. Marshall said the primary laws of the various states had been presented to him, but he was not interested in them, for he would not enter into any preferential primary, even with the assurance that he could get the nomination for the Presidency.

It was recalled by Mr. Marshall that a few weeks ago, when he was in Atlanta and it was announced that President Wilson had died, Mr. Marshall thought for fifteen minutes that he was President of the United States. "That fifteen minutes," he said, "taught me that no man ought to seek the office, and that no man ought to take the nomination except at the imperative call of his party associates."

In regard to the talk of his possible candidacy for nomination for United States Senator, Mr. Marshall said: "I have been the presiding officer of the Senate for seven years, and if I complete my term it will be eight years. In the chess language of the street gamin, I am 'fed up' on the Senate."

It is a long time between now and next November, Mr. Marshall, speaking of the political situation.

**Rocky Road Ahead**  
"The road is rocky and many an apple cart will be ditched by then," Mr. Marshall said, "but the peace treaty and the league of nations, Mr. Marshall said he expected early action on that measure when the Senate reconvenes."

When he left Washington, he thought he saw signs of the ultimate striking out of the first reservation proposed by Senator Lodge and the toning down of other proposed reservations, so that their language will not be distasteful to the Allied governments. In Mr. Marshall's opinion, the first reservation proposed by Senator Lodge would be an insult to the Allies.

**Shipyards Strike Broken**  
As Iron Molders Sign Up  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—The California Foundrymen's Association to-day signed an agreement with the Iron Molders' Union whereby the striking members will return to work on December 24 at a minimum wage of \$7.10. This agreement, brought about by Congressman John I. Nolan, was signed by union men to mark the first important break in strike conditions, which involved 30,000 or more men in the shipyards of the San Francisco Bay district since September 30.

**Austrian Plot Frustrates**  
Plot to Kidnap Bela Kun  
VIENNA, Dec. 22.—A plot to kidnap Bela Kun, the former Communist dictator of Hungary, and hand him over to the Hungarian authorities has been frustrated by the Austrian police. The police arrested two Hungarian brothers, Ladislav and Andras Horvath, at Karlson, where they will be interned. The suspects made a confession to the authorities, it was stated.

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Mr. Marshall said no one knows whether or not the President would accept reservations. The President, he said, has the constitutional right to reject reservations or to pigeon-hole the treaty if he desires.  
Mr. Marshall said he had not seen President Wilson since his illness. He spoke in the highest manner of his chief and expressed the belief that the President was improving in health.



**MEXICAN SILVER MINES TO REOPEN**  
EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 22.—Changes in Mexican laws allowing exportation of silver will result in two of the biggest mines in Chihuahua being reopened after January 1, it was announced to-day by F. L. Cunningham, owner of one. The mines had been closed for several years.

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